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RABORN WEAKNESSES AS CIA HEAD BECOME APPARENT

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(TASS report from New York: "CIA Does Not Like Publicity")

(Text) Official circles continue to hide from the American people and the world what really went on behind-the-scenes during U.S. intervention in the Dominican Republic. This is emphasized in an article published in the St. Louis POST-DISPATCH by its Washington correspondent, Richard Dudman. He pointed out that officials are trying to prevent publication of the minutes of the closed sessions which took place in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The main reason for this is that these records would show the falsity of the "official" government version regarding the reasons for sending several thousand American troops to the Dominican Republic.

According to Dudman, there is yet another reason for keeping these sessions secret. This concerns the personality of the CIA director himself, who played an important role in defining American policy with regard to the Dominican Republic. As is known, one of the persons who gave the orders was CIA Director Raborn, who proved himself to be not a particularly well-qualified expert although he was a key figure in the Dominican intervention.

Some people who worked with Raborn during the crisis have confirmed that he is unable to correctly pronounce the names of foreign countries and outstanding state figures, that he is distinguished by a very weak memory, and that he behaves as if he had never before heard what was discussed in his presence five minutes earlier. Officials do not refute these facts. However, one CIA official said that he regretted that they had become public, "since this means that Raborn will stay at his post for at least another year."